

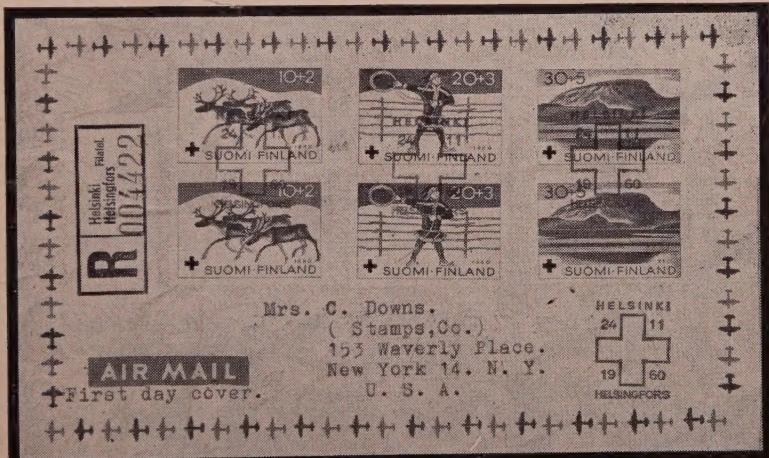
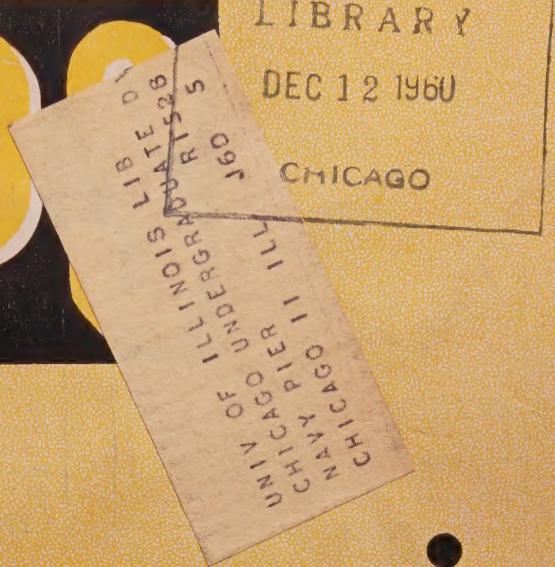
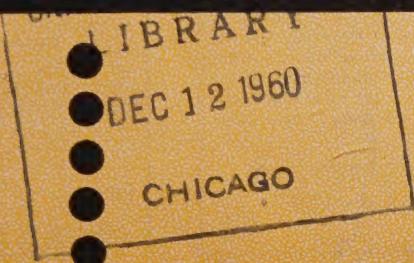
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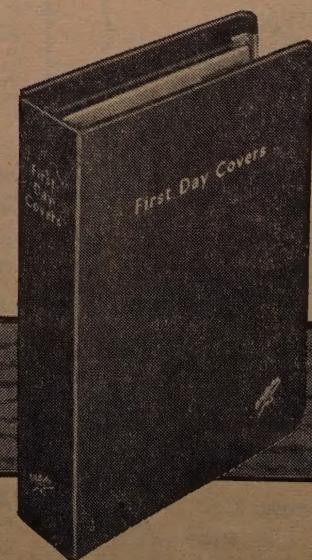


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first Day Sale of the Carnegie Famous American stamp, November 25, 1960

THE Andrew Carnegie Famous American stamp went on first day sale at the Carnegie Endowment International Center Auditorium, at 10:30 Friday morning, November 25, 1960. The stamp marked the 125th birthday of Andrew Carnegie and the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

The address of welcome was given by *Joseph E. Johnson*, President of the Carnegie Endowment, and guests were introduced by *Ernest A. Kehr*, stamp editor of the *New York Herald Tribune*.

John W. Gardner, President of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, was an impressive speaker, his subject being "A Gift of Mr. Carnegie."

The stamp dedication and presentation of albums to distinguished guests was by *L. Rohe Walter*, Special Assistant to the Postmaster General.

Mr. Walter, in his speech, pointed out that Mr. Carnegie had come to the United States as a poor Scottish immigrant boy, and lived to become a leading industrialist, philanthropist, and crusader for world peace and international understanding. He mentioned that fifty years ago, before there was a League of Nations or a United Nations, Carnegie envisioned a world peace break-through, when he said: "The world has become one great organism, and since each part of that organism depends upon the others . . . the day has past when one civilized nation can be permitted to break the peace."

Mr. Walter called attention to how Carnegie's life and work "typify fundamental characteristics and opportunities which are the bedrock of our way of life and the fulfillment of the American dream." This pioneer American philanthropist

was an idealistic individual who had great faith in life, himself, and his country, and a vital interest in the rest of the world, consistently fighting for what he believed to be right. He gave away \$350,000,000 during his lifetime, ninety percent of his wealth, for the betterment of mankind, Mr. Walter recalled. "With exceptional insight for his time, he saw the problem of world peace as the most important issue confronting mankind. He therefore became an indefatigable crusader for the cause of world peace by devoting his material and spiritual resources to 'hasten the abolition of international war, the foulest blot upon our civilization.' Andrew Carnegie's philosophy was that the first period of a man's life should be spent in acquiring wealth, the second in distributing it. The rich man's responsibility, Carnegie felt, lay in administering his wealth for the community.

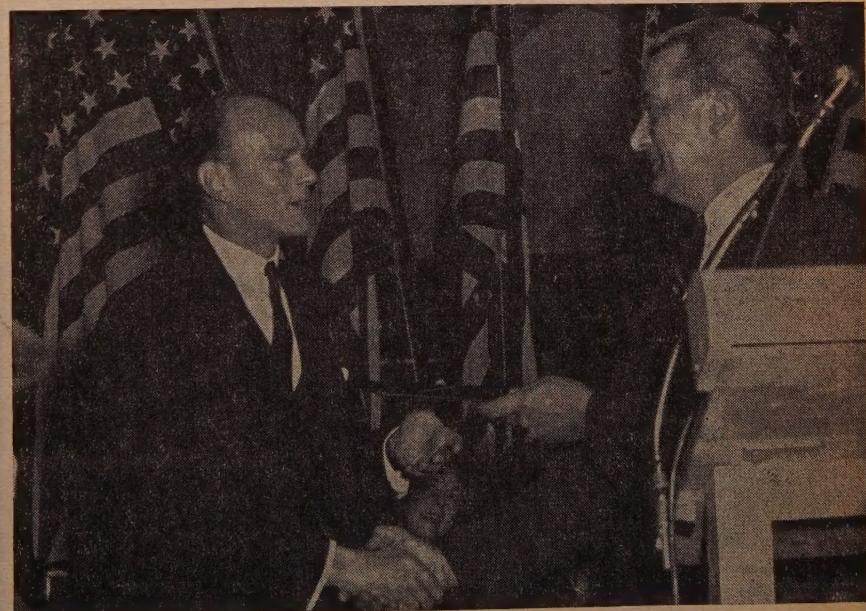
"But he had no intention of falling into the trap of giving money indiscriminately or to relieve individual needs unrelated to a plan

for helping the community or individuals to help themselves. Surplus wealth, he believed, is 'a sacred trust, to be administered by its possessor into whose hands it flows for the highest good of the people.' He surely meant what he said and put his beliefs into practice.

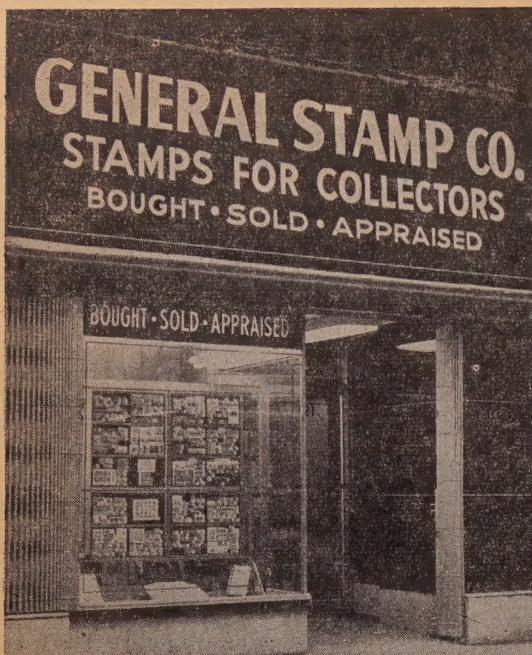
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At the first day sale of the Abraham Lincoln Credo stamps in New York, November 19, 1960, the designer of all the Credo stamps, Frank P. Conley (left) is seen receiving an album of the stamps from Franklin R. Bruns, Jr., Director, Division of Philately, Washington, D. C. (Photo by Adrien Bourtelle, Brooklyn, N. Y.)



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large bequests—two of the largest going to his home towns of Dunfermline, Scotland, and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He fathered the idea of foundations, constructed more than 2,800 libraries in the United States and Great Britain, built great museums, endowed an international institute for peace, established a fund to honor acts of heroism, supported universities, technical institutions and churches, inaugurated pensions and set up steelworker annuities.

"Close associates of this amazing man say that despite his great wealth and power he never lost his democracy of spirit—his belief in people—his uncanny abilities to stimulate those close to him to the fullest use of their capabilities—his firm faith that the world was marching fast to the day when war would be discarded as disgraceful to civilized men.

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"We believe, too, these stamps will focus worldwide attention on Andrew Carnegie's dedication to the goal of a world where peace and justice will prevail, the goal which is, as President Dwight D. Eisenhower has so repeatedly emphasized, the very cornerstone of American foreign policy in the nuclear age."

The stamp exhibit was opened at the end of the dedication program by Dr. M. Graham Netting, Director of the Carnegie Museum in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; he also represented the Carnegie Library and Carnegie Institute, of which the Carnegie Museum is the department voted to Natural History and Anthropology. He spoke extemporaneously and without notes, and was an excellent speaker.

In his speech Dr. Netting said that less than a decade ago

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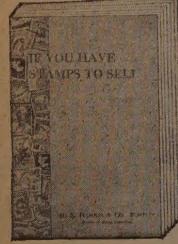
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museum had a very small stamp collection. "We were then fortunate in finding a devoted local collector, William L. Alexander, who was persuaded to accept appointment as Honorary Curator of Stamps and Postal History. Mr. Alexander assembled a hard-working group of Honorary Research Associates who have labored virtually every Saturday to build up the Carnegie Museum philatelic collection. Today we have 77 percent of the postage stamps of the world, and are hopeful that by the end of this year we may exceed 100,000 different postage stamps and over 80 percent of world issues. Holdings also include large collections of both stamps and stampless covers, revenues, and a variety of postal history items."

Dr. Netting said that earlier this year, when the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace began planning this celebration, he had suggested a topical exhibit of stamps with a peace motif be assembled, and the Carnegie Stamp Committee expressed interest in having his philatelic staff members prepare such an exhibit. "Our portion of the exhibit that you will view shortly is the result," he added.

The first stamp portraying peace which the staff had traced down was an issue of the United States, a \$24.00 denomination issued in 1875 for payment on bulk mailings of newspapers. They believe this to be the very first stamp portraying peace ever issued anywhere. "Since that time," Dr. Netting continued, "over

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75-77	.15
85-86 toughies	1.00
90-91	.10
92-93 S.W.	1.45
94-100	3.85
94-97 short set	.40
101-104 U.P.U.	.55
105-117 2nd Geo. VI.	4.10
118 Q.E.	.10
119-120 Sleepers	.28
121-134 Q.E. cpl.	4.00
121-130 Q.E. to 1/-	.75
135-136 Constitution	.25

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Continued

166-167	.12
168-169	.10
170-175 U.P.U.	.25
176-178	.15
179-180	.10
181-182	.00
183-187	.32
188-189	.15
190-191	.20
192 Q.E.	.07
193-194	.15
195-197	.70
198-199	.20
200-213	4.60
214-215	.15
216-217	.08
218	.06
219	.08
220	.10
B1-B6	1.60
B7-B8	.25
B9-B16	1.80
B17-B22	1.50
C1-C4	7.50
C5-C6	2.00
J1-J7	.75
J17-J21	1.00
J30-J33	.50
J34-J38	.60
J35-J37 3 vals	.15
J40-J43	.75
22	.20
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73-75	.15	.15
76-85 Geo. VI	1.70	1.70
86-87 10/- £1	4.60	4.60
90-91 S.W.	2.40	2.40
92-95 U.P.U.	.60	.60
96-97	.40	.40
98-101 Council	1.30	1.30
102-113 2nd Geo. VI	6.70	6.70
102-103 to 24c	.70	.70
114 Q.E.	.10	.10
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31	.10	.10
32 cat.	\$1.00	.30
33 cat.	\$1.25	.35
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40	.25	.10
50	.08	.20
53	.10	.10
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156-171	7.00
184-194	3.50
201-213 cpl.	5.05
214-217	.80
218-221	.30
222-223	.10
224-225 S.W.	1.00
226-229 U.P.U.	.40
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Old Sleuth

Harold Rajnauth, Trinidad stamp dealer, was recently a visitor to the United States and Canada. He reports a most enjoyable stay in Toronto and New York. While in New York he visited many Nassau Street dealers, but was unable to secure commercially used odd high-value West Indies stamps which he was seeking. Mr. Rajnauth specializes in attractive retail packets and does an extensive mail order business to all parts of the world. He returned to Trinidad on November 22th by Pan American Airways jet from Idlewild, New York, to Port of Spain, the flight taking only four hours and ten minutes. A frequent traveler to the United States, he has visited nearly every state in the Union. His address is Box 267, Trinidad, West Indies.

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Gordon A. Nowell-Usticke, who formerly conducted Stanley Gibbons Inc., in New York City, is now permanently located at Christiansted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands. He has become an expert in shells, and has issued a book on St. Croix shells. We recently sent him one of our People-to-People letters on the subject of shells which he graciously consented to answer, and in his acknowledgement he advised us that he just got back from a trip to St. Thomas, Tortola, Virgin Gorda as well as Dead Man's Chest and Peter Island. Earlier this year he visited Antigua, Guadeloupe, and Martinique, as well as Barbuda.

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The collectors of the Kalamazoo, Michigan area have organized a new society to take the place of the one which has been dormant for several years. It is known as the *Kalamazoo Philatelic Society*, and meets every second and fourth Thursday, alternating its meeting place from the Community Room of the First National Bank's Crosstown Parkway office for the first and the People's Church in Kalamazoo for the second monthly meetings. Dues are \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for juniors. President is Dr. Leo A. Paquette. Visitors always welcome.

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Leading philatelic organizations of the New York area will stage their own shows within the framework of the *Interpex*. In addition, various foreign governments will officially take part with exhibits of their most beautiful and unusual stamps, as well as displays pointing up their cultural and historical achievements. Leading airlines will also take part with interesting exhibits.

Clubs who wish to participate at *Interpex* for either displays or meetings, as well as dealers interested in booth space, should contact *Industrial Exhibitions Inc.*, 17 East 45th St., New York 17.

Havertown Stamp Club's Exhibition Winners

KENNETH S. BAIRD, of Philadelphia, Pa., won the Grand Award at the Havertown Stamp Club's 25th anniversary exhibition Nov. 12-13, 1960, for his showing of Pakistan and Las Bela.

Sectional trophies were awarded to Dr. Richard W. Garlich, for Philadelphia Classic Covers; Bernard E. Stoloff, 19th Century Turkey; Ralph A. Canser, Canada; and William A. Johnson, Jr., Transportation Systems in Roman States.

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New Zealand National Philatelic Exhibition

THE 1961 New Zealand National Philatelic Exhibition will be held August 21-26, at Canterbury University Hall, Christchurch. The U.S.A. Commissioner is Charles A. McKeown, 16 Carisbrook Drive, Orinda, California.

Visitors who contemplate attending are advised to make early bookings, as Christchurch has many activities in August. The following has advised that she will make all the necessary arrangements with hotels or give further information concerning them: Mrs. O. C. Gawler, Accommodation Officer 1961 National Philatelic Exhibition, P.O. Box 2336, Christchurch, C. 1, New Zealand.

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A United Press dispatch from Dublin, Ireland, dated November 28, 1960, reports that Paul Singer was sentenced that day to fourteen years in prison on charges involving disappearance of £956,624 (\$2,678,547) belonging to the stamp auction firm he headed. This was the Shanahan auction firm whose sensational activities were reported in STAMPS of June 13, 1959.

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PLATES sent to press by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing during October included Nos. 26751, 26754, 26816 and 26826 for the 4-cent Camp Fire Girls commemorative, first placed on sale November 1, 1960, at New York; plates 26792-26795 for the 4-cent Garibaldi "Champion of Liberty" stamp issued November 2, 1960, at Washington, D. C., and plates 26797, 26803, 26805 and 26806 for the 4-cent Lincoln "Credo" stamp released November 19, 1960, at New York, N. Y.

Plates assigned during October included 26816 and 26826 for the 4-cent Camp Fire Girls commemorative, which were, as noted, sent to press; Nos. 26814 and 26815, for the revised 15-cent International Air Mail stamp, to be placed on sale January 13, 1961, at Buffalo (5), New York, and master plates 26831 for the 4-cent Range Conservation stamp, to be released February 2, 1961, at Salt Lake City, Utah, and 26832 for the 8-cent Mahatma Gandhi "Champion of Liberty" stamp, to appear January 26, 1961, at Washington (13), D. C.

Plates canceled during October at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing for the 8-cent World Peace Through World Trade commemorative included Nos. 26317 (63,738 impressions), 26318 (60,001 impressions), 26319 (63,739 impressions) and 26320 (60,001 impressions).

Also, plate 26799 for the 4-cent First Automated Post Office commemorative, which was issued October 20, 1960, at Providence, R. I. (86,527 impressions); plates 25613 (99,566 impressions), 25614 (99,567 impressions) and 26195 and 26196 (no impressions) for the 10-cent International Air Mail, and plates 25615 and 25616 (54,864 impressions each) and 26201 and 26202 (no impressions) for the 25-cent International Air Mail.

FIRST DAY SALES FIGURES

When the 4-cent "Wheels of Freedom" commemorative postage stamp was first placed on sale at Detroit, Michigan, on October 15, 1960, there were 380,551 first day covers canceled and 860,919 stamps sold, with a value of \$34,436.76.

On November 1, 1960, there were 324,944 first day covers bearing the Camp Fire Girls commemorative 4-cent stamp at New York, New York. In all, there were 1,695,403 stamps sold with a face value of \$67,816.12.

To date, in 1960, excluding the Mannerheim and Garibaldi "Champion of Liberty" stamps, the Senator Walter F. George "Memorial" stamp; the 4-cent Lincoln "Credo" stamp and the 4-cent

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U. S. Stamped Envelopes Take on New Features

By PRESCOTT HOLDEN THORP

THE 4-cent Pony Express envelope issued by the U. S. Post Office Department on July 19, 1960, introduced new features in our envelope issues that came as a surprise and delight to collectors in this field. The envelope is *blue inside*, and this marks the first time that our Government has issued an envelope with inside coloring rather than the customary white. The reason that was given for this new feature is that the blue coloring provides a more opaque paper that prevents looking through it to see what may be inside. Of course, this also makes it more difficult to see the watermark by the time-honored method of holding the envelope before a light. However, the watermark does become visible to the trained eye by direct vision if the envelope is held on a slight slant so the light falls on it in a certain way.

Another new feature of the Pony Express envelope is its shape, which is entirely different from any ever used before. It is the first completely new "knife" to have appeared in over fifty years! The gum on the back flap also is different from any used since machines were perfected in 1876 to provide sealing by mechanical means. These envelopes are folded on a remarkable new machine, capable of folding and gum-

ming up to fifty-thousand envelopes an hour. Yet, despite all this speed, the machines are astonishingly accurate, giving us an even more perfect product than previously.

Perhaps the most striking feature of the Pony Express envelope is the design of the stamp. Because of the wide expanse of white space, this writer had been apprehensive prior to its issue that the embossed method of production might show to disadvantage. The advance photographs released by the Post Office Department had a flat appearance, and we feared the finished product might also show the horse and rider flat and lifeless. These fears proved quite unfounded when the envelope itself was issued. The design is superbly embossed, and even the monogram is faithfully reproduced and clearly delineated.

The initial printing of this envelope was fifty million; so far as is known, no further printings are anticipated. This also is a wide departure from customary practice with previous commemorative envelope issues, which almost without exception were held to ten million.

It is the hope of all collectors of stamped envelopes that this delightful new product in our field will be the forerunner of other new and attractive designs.

Another situation which has developed to add spice to the collecting of stamped envelopes is in the area of precancelled envelopes. Until July 1, 1960, when the rate was advanced to 1 1/4-cents, non-profit organizations could send bulk mail in 1-cent precancelled envelopes. Many such organizations had the old 1-cent precancelled envelopes on hand when the new rate went into effect. As there was no 1/4-cent adhesive stamp available to make up the difference, these groups were given permission by the Post Office Department to use up their supply by paying the extra postage in cash. This was done by purchasing postage stamps in the amount required which the Post Office cancelled in advance. Then the organization would be required to print, handstamp, or in some manner indicate on the envelope that it was a 1-cent precancelled envelope put into the mails that the extra 1/4-cent had been paid. The result has been a great variety of private surcharges which, though intriguing to collectors, are unlikely ever to be catalogued.

For the many thousands of collectors who are presently discovering U. S. Stamped Envelopes for the first time as an intriguing field of collecting, there fortunately awaits a vast store of catalog information, quite as extensive as that existing for adhesive stamps, and dating equally far back.

The first catalog of U. S. Stamped Envelopes, prepared by P. L. Pemberton, of revered philatelic fame, was issued in July 1869. This was followed in 1873 by a more complete essay on the subject by Willard K. Freeman. These early attempts to bring order out of chaos were succeeded by the first real catalog of United States Stamped envelopes, the W. E. V. Horner *History and Catalogue of the Stamped Envelopes of the United States*. This was published in 1879 at Philadelphia by the late L. W. Durbin. A second edition of the Horner catalog was published in 1884, and in 1887 the old Scott Stamp & Coin Company issued



First day cover of the 4c Pony Express Embossed Stamped Envelope, discussed in accompanying article.

Tentative Price List of Entire S. Stamped Envelopes.

The same careful safeguards which govern the production and emission of U. S. adhesive stamps have been applied to the manufacturing of our stamped envelopes; consequently these first class postal missions could be systematically cataloged and collected.

In 1892 the old *Scott* company published the monumental catalog on our stamped envelopes prepared by *John K. Tiffany, R. R. Bogert, and Joseph Rechert*. This was followed by various other catalogs and books about our stamped envelopes, which by now had become among the most popular and fascinating fields of philatelic endeavor.

By 1897 the late *J. Murray Bartels* had published the first edition of his famous series of catalogs of U. S. stamped envelopes which, since 1943, have been carried on by the writer.

Unlike general catalogs of adhesive stamps the catalogs of our stamped envelopes are not issued on an annual basis, and the printings of all editions have been very limited. The current one, the *Thorpe-Bartels Century Edition*, is a monumental work of some 600 pages. Like all of its predecessors, the *Century* edition was limited to its initial printing. The type has long since been broken up, and because of the enormous cost involved, no new edition is possible in the foreseeable future. But, fortunately for those who have not yet obtained a copy, the *Century* edition is still available, and we hope that any of our readers whose interests lie in this field will not neglect to get a copy while it can be had.

Landmans' Italy Catalog

Landmans 1961 *Francobolli d' Italia*.
Milan, Giulio Landmans, Corso Vittorio Emanuel 22, 1960, 332 p.,
L 600.

THIS is the thirty-third edition of a hardy annual covering the postage stamps of Italy from the original states emissions "way back when" through the kingdom and colonial issues and republican ones to late 1960. It is well printed, well illustrated and well bound. It includes not only routine stamps commonly known but National Guard, advertising tab and postal forgery ones, a host of minor varieties, first day covers and official bulletins announcing new commems and illustrating them in color, as well. Vatican and San Marino issues are added for good measure, again in semi-specialized fashion, including color proofs and the like.

—GEORGE VAN DEN BERG

Zumstein Europa Catalog

Zumstein *Europa Katalog* 1961. Bern, Hertsch and Company, 1960, 1512 pages. Procurable through Jacob Habib, 154 Nassau Street, New York at \$5.50 postpaid.

THE advent of a new Zumstein Europe catalog is always a philatelic event for, through forty-three past editions, it has been noted for the completeness of its listings including a wide array of non-Scott material, its accuracy, and its reflection of actual market values. This new 44th edition volume, with its 19,000 illustrations and 120,000 pricings, is no exception. While the cuts, a mingling of woodblock and photographic ones, are greatly re-

duced, they are clear, and the text is in larger type than in most catalogs, greatly facilitating its use. There is a considerable amount of explanatory material in some cases, as with Jugoslavia, and perforation and paper varieties are always fully listed.

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U. S. Notes

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SLOGAN CANCELLATIONS

A number of new slogan cancellations will go into use January 1, 1961, varying periods of time. Seattle, Washington, will use three die hubs for entire year with the wording "1861 CENTENNIAL 1961 UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON". and Lebanon, Hampshire, will have one hub for the year "BI-CENTENNIAL 1761—LEBON—1961 NEW HAMPSHIRE." Block Island, Rhode Island, will use year-long die with the wording "BLOCK ISLAND, R. I. 300th Anniversary 1961."

Indian Rocket Mail Catalog

Jal Cooper. *A Specialized Priced Catalogue of Indian Rocket Mail Stamps and Vignettes*. The Company Standard Building, Hornby Road, Bombay, 1960, 92 pages, \$3.75 paid.

JAL COOPER, a one-time insurance broker turned hobby professional, long been one of India's foremost philatelic personalities, with many volumes of *India's Stamp Journal* and four catalogues which have been awarded a dozen awards at international exhibitions to his credit. This latest work will doubtless enjoy the same popularity as the others for it fully describes and illustrates covers from the fifty-nine experimental flights to date. There is also a section covering the sixteen flights staged in Sikkim, which are little-known to the outside world.

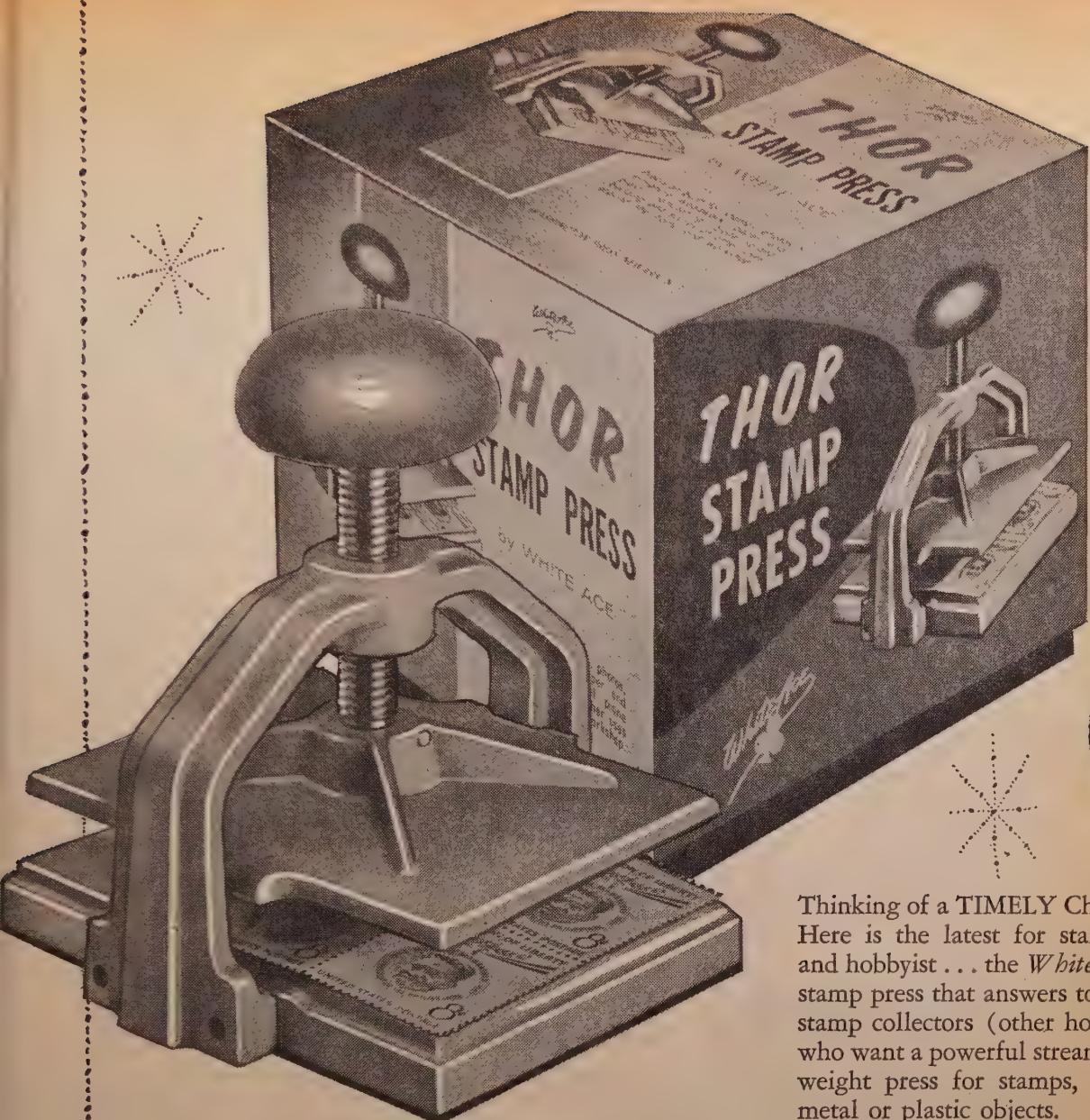
—GEORGE VAN DEN BERG

Prinet Belgian Catalog

Catalogue Prinet Belgique 1961. Brussels Editions Dereume, 1960, 104 pages, 30 francs. Available through V. Bierbeek Marcel, c/o Tribune Standard Company, Box 173, Ansonia Station, New York (23), USA price not indicated.

THIS is the thirty-sixth edition of the most widely used Belgian catalog and has long been well known to American collectors. They want basically for its listings of precancel stamps with advertising tabs, telephone, telegraph, baggage fee and Moresnet local issues, first day covers and souvenir sheets, many of which are not recognized by Scott. There is an excellent company album selling for 350 francs back in Belgium itself.

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Joint Meeting of B.S.R.P. and Rossica Societies

THE annual joint meeting of the British Society of Russian Philately and the Rossica Society of Russian Philately was held November 20, 1960, at the Vanderbilt Hotel, opposite the Armory where the A.S.D.A. Show was then in progress.

The meeting got under way at noon, the early hours being devoted to trading and the passing around for viewing of some outstanding holdings of members. Dr. Jemischoujin showed a \$20,000 collection of Imperials, including a lovely collection of No. 1 unused and cancelled, as well as Scott's #39-40 and Romanov proofs. Kurt Adler opened up a large suitcase and revealed a mass of interesting covers, both Imperial and Soviet. Among the latter were special or "spetz" cancellations which had strong appeal for those around the table, who let forth many expressions of appreciation as they viewed this wonderful showing. Outstanding offers were to be had from dealers in attendance, among them V. N. Savitzky's early imperials and Offices, and J. Bulat who had fine Ukraine material.

The formal meeting was opened at 2 P.M. by Dr. Gregory B. Salisbury, who spoke of the passing recently of the Rossica President, Alexander A. Cheboikovich, and members of both societies stood for a moment of silence in his memory. The program was then turned over to the Program Chairman, Kurt Adler.

Raymond S. Ehrman, winner of a silver-gilt medal in London, was called upon to display and discuss his Manchuria collection. This had many outstanding items, including a Jan. 12, 1877 Newchwang cover, with earliest use of Chinese stamps; an 1883 Port Arthur cover; a Shanghai Local Post use in Newchwang, using different chops; and many others of great interest and rarity.

N. A. Kormilev, world's foremost authority on Imperial numismatics, showed gold coins from the reigns of Peter the Great to Catherine the Great. His entire speech is to be published in the next issue (No. 60) of the *Rossica Journal*.

Vincent Domanski showed his gold medal collection of Finland. The stampless covers of Viborg were most interesting, but the entire collection is replete with delectable items. The No. 1 stamp was discussed in detail and presented on and off cover, showing Types I and II, i.e., the small and the large pearls. He also showed the Fournier fakes. An entire album of early issues on and off cover was shown, with numerous varieties. Also included in the showing was postal stationery, with the famous error of 1870 taking the spotlight among many other fascinating pieces.

Prior to showing his album, Dr. L. S. Snegireff brought greetings from the B.S.R.P. members whom he had met at the London Exhibition in July. He presented some outstanding Mount Athos covers, used for collection of money for

monks in Russia 100 years ago. One such had the declared value of 20,000 rubles in silver, in 1859, from Odessa to Mt. Athos, quite a huge sum for those days. It had the personal markings of the forwarding agent in Odessa, a merchant of the Guild there. He showed many other items worthy of mention, but space necessitates limiting our comments.

Melvin Kessler spoke briefly, outlining his research project in the field of Russia-U.S., and he urged that any members who could help with material they might have to lend it to him for recording.

Kurt Adler presented a money order with many 25K stamps with the Cancel of Field P.O. #119, previously known but not where it was located until now. It went to the Military Office in Tabriz; the blank was printed in Tiflis; it bears the backstamp of Tavriz Russ. Consulate, giving proof that mail was received there and cancelled that way, a two-way process. Mr. Adler showed many other interesting items.

Dr. Salisbury presented the Baron C. De Stackelberg address and charts of the 10 ruble flaws, as well as the album of labels (or vignettes) of Jacques Posell. Interesting covers were shown by Joseph Novgorod, and Colonel Eugene Prince showed many important letters written by historical figures of the U.S. while they were in Russia. Colonel Prince has a remarkable collection of these history-filled letters. Lydia Callahan showed her Russian collection which won a prize at the recent SOJEX.

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SECURITY Council Special Session rebuffed a Soviet effort to establish a veto power over the actions of the ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES (O.A.S.) (9-8-60).....	.75
SECURITY Council paid unanimous tribute to Henry Cabot LODGE at his final appearance in the Council Chamber (8-24-60).....	.75
SECURITY Council Special Session to discuss the situation in KATANGA (8-8-60).....	.75
SECURITY Council Special Session—CONGO, asks for speedy Belgian withdrawal (7-20-60).....	.75
SECURITY Council Special Session to discuss ARGENTINA's complaint against ISRAEL—"Eichmann Case" (6-22-60).....	.75
SECURITY Council Special Session to discuss CUBA's charges against USA—"Economic Aggression" (7-18-60).....	.75
King MAHENDRA and Queen RATNA of NEPAL visit UN (5-2-60).....	.75
President CAMARGO of COLOMBIA visits UN (4-12-60).....	.75
SECURITY Council Special Session to discuss the situation in SOUTH AFRICA (3-30-60).....	.75
Chancellor Dr. Conrad ADENAUER of WEST GERMANY meets with UN Secretary General (3-14-60).....	.75
David BEN-GURION, Prime Minister of ISRAEL visits UN (3-14-0).....	.75
GENERAL Assembly establishes a Committee on the Peaceful uses of OUTER SPACE (12-12-59).....	.75
GENERAL Assembly started debate on HUNGARY (12-8-59).....	.75
Commander of the UN Emergency Force (UNEF) in Middle East, Gen. BURNS, resigns (12-4-59).....	.95
GENERAL Assembly started debate on ALGERIA, French delegates boycott the meeting (11-30-59).....	.75
President TOURE of GUINEA visits UN (11-5-59).....	.75
GENERAL Assembly begins debate on the question of TIBET (10-20-59).....	.75
President MATEOS of MEXICO visits UN. (10-14-59).....	.75
SECRETARY General announced a gift from the Ford Foundation for the new UN library (9-29-59).....	.75
OPENING of the 14th Session of the GENERAL Assembly (9-15-59).....	.75

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337...	1	1.00	1.20	340...	2	2.00	2.25	341...	8	3.00	3.50	352...	1	2.50	2.75
337...	2	1.00	1.20	340...	3	2.00	2.25	341...	9	4.00	4.50	352...	2	2.50	2.75
337...	3	1.00	1.20	340...	4	18.00	20.00	341...	10	2.00	2.25	353...	1	2.00	2.50
337...	4	.90	1.00	340...	5	1.75	2.00	341...	11	2.00	2.25	353...	2	2.00	2.50
337...	5	3.00	3.50	340...	6	1.65	1.85	341...	12	2.00	2.25	356...	1-1	2.00	2.50
337...	6	P.O.R.	340...	7	1.75	2.00	341...	13	2.00	2.25	356...	2-1	2.00	2.50	
337...	7	P.O.R.	340...	8	4.00	4.50	342...	1	4.50	5.00	357...	1	2.50	2.75	
338...	1	1.30	1.50	340...	9	P.O.R.	342...	2	4.50	5.00	358...	1	2.75	3.00	
338...	2	1.30	1.50	340...	12	P.O.R.	343...	1	4.50	5.00	358...	2	2.75	3.00	
338...	3	1.30	1.50	341...	1	2.00	2.25	343...	2	4.50	5.00	359...	1	2.50	2.75
338...	4	1.80	1.50	341...	2	2.00	2.25	349...	1	2.50	3.00	360...	1	2.00	2.50
338...	5	1.30	1.50	341...	3	2.00	2.25	349...	2	2.50	3.00	360...	2	2.00	2.50
338...	7	1.30	1.50	341...	4	2.50	3.00	350...	1	2.50	3.00	361...	1	2.00	2.50
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He moved to St. Petersburg, Florida in 1943, where he served as Superintendent of Transit in that city. He moved to Las Vegas in 1950, serving the Clark County Housing Authority in nearby Henderson as head of the auditing department, a post he held up to the time of his death.

His hobbies were philately and boating. He collected stamps all his life, and belonged at different times to various clubs and societies. At the time of his passing he was a member of the S.P.A. and A.T.A.

For several years he operated as a mail order dealer, and more recently had specialized in topicals and German.

He is survived by his wife, Norah A., a son, Robert B., and two grandchildren.

—PAUL SEGNITZ

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By Daniel F. McGee

PHOTOGRAPHY is a useful hobby for the stamp collector. I specialize in Lincolniana and create my own philatelic covers with a closeup camera.

These "Photo-cachets" grew out of a desire to tell the story of Lincoln's life in cachets and stamps. I soon discovered that the available printed material in philatelic journals covered only the highlights of his career, omitting many key incidents in his earlier life. So to make the record complete I created my own.

I photographed pertinent records and pictures from books and magazines, print-

ing them then on the left side of postal-sized, double-weight photographic paper. I sent them then to Postmasters in various parts of the country, with stamped self-addressed envelopes enclosed for safe return of the cancelled cards.

I had some unusual experiences in getting these covers postmarked. The first few came back with the cancels smeared. I learned that postmarks do not dry readily on emulsion paper. I remedied this by including selvage to the left of the stamp, urging the postmaster to confine the cancellation to it. Result: no more smears!

The majority of the covers came back duly cancelled in good shape, but there were some exceptions. In some sections

of the country Lincoln is still a controversial figure, and for that reason I suspect my project did not get fullest cooperation in all cities. In one case the card came back properly cancelled but it had been folded into three parts! Photographic paper does not lend itself to such creasing. Fortunately, I had a duplicate cachet and was able to paste the salvaged stamp with its cancelled selvage onto it. Philatelically phony perhaps, but the only way I could get the desired cover!

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Bosnia & Herzeg.	cpl		.70		
Baltic States (Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania)	cpl	812/814	3.20		
Belgium	cpl	802	4.50	.20	.40
Belgian Colonies	cpl	909	2.60	.20	
Brazil	cpl	902	2.90	.30	.30
Bulgaria	cpl	827	3.40	.50	.70
Chile	cpl	907	2.30	.30	.40
China	since 1949	911	2.30	.40	.80
Croatia	cpl	834	1.50		
Czechoslovakia	cpl	807	4.00	.60	.60
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Denmark incl. Greenland & Danish West Indies	cpl	806D	2.60	.20	.20
Danish West Indies proper	cpl	908	.50		
Estonia	cpl	812	.70		
Finland	cpl	806F	2.30	.20	.20
France	cpl	805	3.70	.50	.50
French Andorra	cpl	817	.80		
Ghana	cpl	910	.80	.30	.50
Gibraltar	cpl	816	.75		
Grt. Britain	cpl	808	2.80	.40	.30
Ireland (Eire)	cpl	808I	.80	.15	
Greece	since 1945	828	1.10	.40	.30
Guinea since independence	cpl	914	.50		.30
Hungary	cpl	822	5.90	.80	1.10
Iceland	cpl	806I	1.40	.20	.20
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Norway	cpl	806N	1.70	.20	.30
Poland	cpl	811	4.70	.50	.90
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Portugal	since 1945	824	1.30	.20	
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Slovakia	cpl	823	7.10	1.60	.90
Soviet Union	cpl	830	1.20	.40	.40
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Switzerland	cpl	801S	3.80	.90	.40
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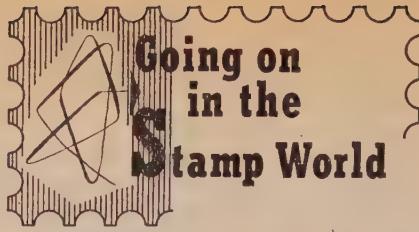
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907, C95-8.....	.45	C338-9..... .50
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C197.....	.16	C203-5..... .31
C209-10.....	.27	C207-10..... 2.43

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Coming Events

Dec. 6—Crescent City Stamp Club of New Orleans, Louisiana, will hold its monthly meeting at the International House at 7:30 P.M. The entire meeting will be devoted to the annual charity auction. Adult visitors invited.

Dec. 6—Resurrection Philatelic Club will hold an Old Fashioned Trading Night at the regular meeting at 8 P.M. in the Parish House, 118th Street and 85th Ave., Kew Gardens, New York, Visitors welcome.

Dec. 10—Northern New Jersey Chapter of the ATA will hold the annual dinner and installation of officers at Pete and Dominic's Restaurant, Jersey City. Regular meetings of the club are held the fourth Friday of the month at the home of Oscar Hengstler, 222 74th St., North Bergen, N. J.

Dec. 12—J. H. Spiegel, will present his fine collection of worldwide topical souvenir sheets at the meeting of the North Shore Philatelic Society, Loyola Park Field House, 7033 N. Sheridan Road, Chicago, Illinois. Refreshments will be served. Visitors always welcome.

Dec. 13—Central Jersey Cover Club, Chapter #6 of the American First Day Cover Society, will meet at the home of Frank J. Amoroson, Irving St., New Brunswick at 8:30 P.M. Stanley H. Fryczynski, Regional Vice-President of AFD CS, will speak and show slides of his collection of "Revolutionary War Heroes of Foreign Birth on U.S. First Day Covers." Further information may be had from Frank J. Aufrecht, 1448 Shirley St., Plainfield, N. J.

Dec. 14—Scandinavian Collectors Club, New York Chapter, will meet at 7:30 P.M. at the Norwegian Seamen's House, 13th floor, 62 Hanson Pl., Brooklyn, N.Y. Messrs. Hinrichsen and Wolff will speak on "Scandinavian Transit Mail Through Hamburg." Collectors interested in Scandinavian philately welcome. For further information contact secretary, David W. Summerfield, 35 Orange St., Brooklyn 1, N. Y.

Dec. 14—Rockland Philatelic Society will move into new quarters, the former Red School House, School House Road,

Spring Valley, N. Y., on December 14 1960. The new home, a loan from the local school district, will eventually house a philatelic library. Open house will mark the Dec. 14 meeting when M. Luff will talk on Postal Slogans. Refreshments served. Further information from Mrs. L. Kissman, 8 Blauvelt Road, Nanuet, N. Y.

Dec. 15—Women's Philatelic Society of New York will meet at the Hotel Statler Hilton, 32nd St. and 7th Ave., N. Y., at 7:30 P.M. January meeting will be held on 4th Thursday as usual.

Dec. 16—Minneapolis Chapter of ATA will hold meeting and Christmas party in room 501 of the Young Women's Christian Association, 12th and Nicolet, Minneapolis, at 7:15 P.M. Members are asked to bring postage stamps and philatelic accessories which will be donated to shut-ins and hospital patients. Public invited. Refreshments served, games and prizes.

Dec. 23—Minnehaha Stamp Club will hold its Christmas party at the Pillsbury-Citizens Service, 320 16th Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn. Visitors welcome.

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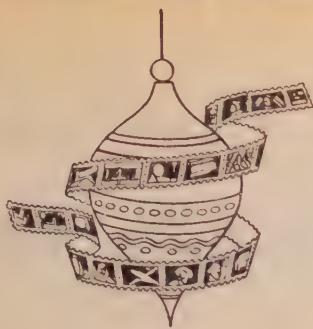
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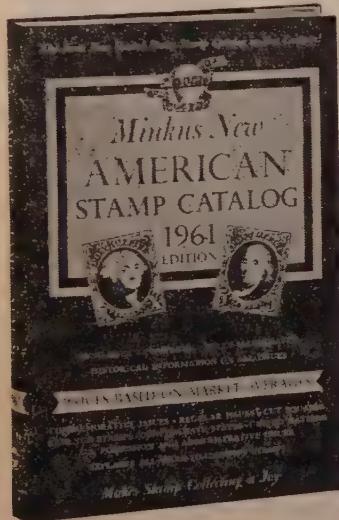
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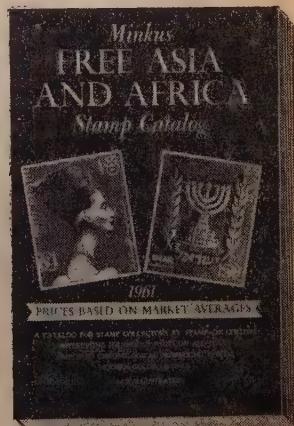
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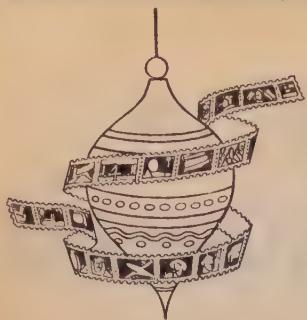
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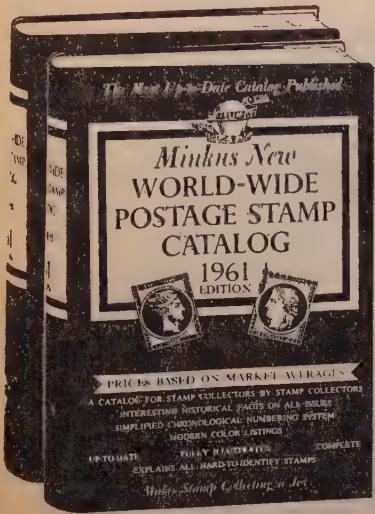
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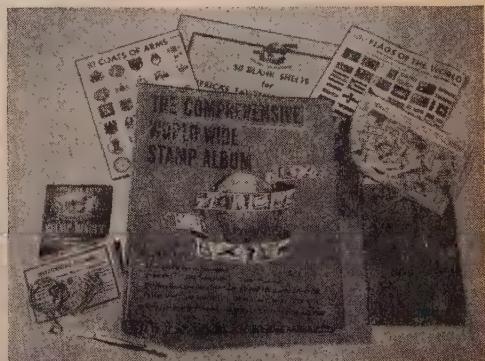
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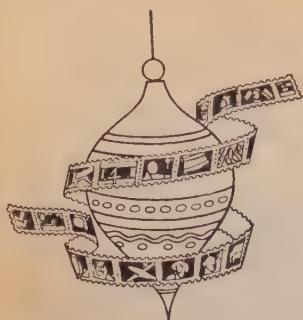
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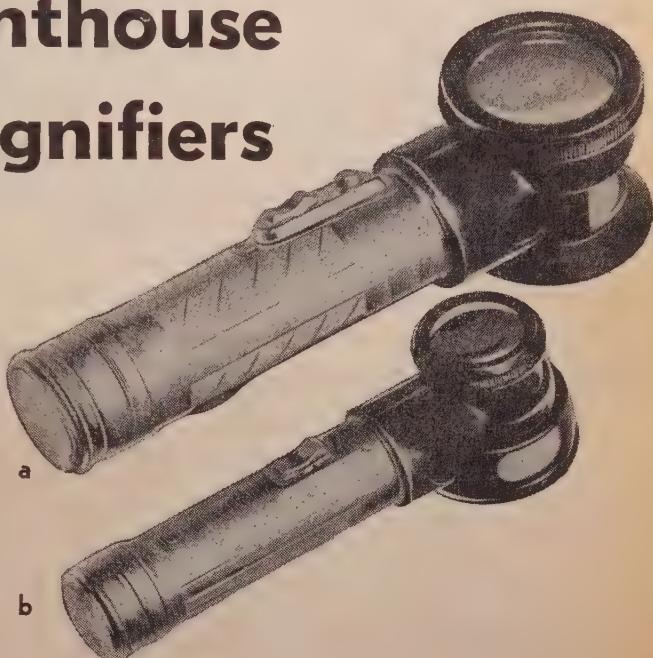
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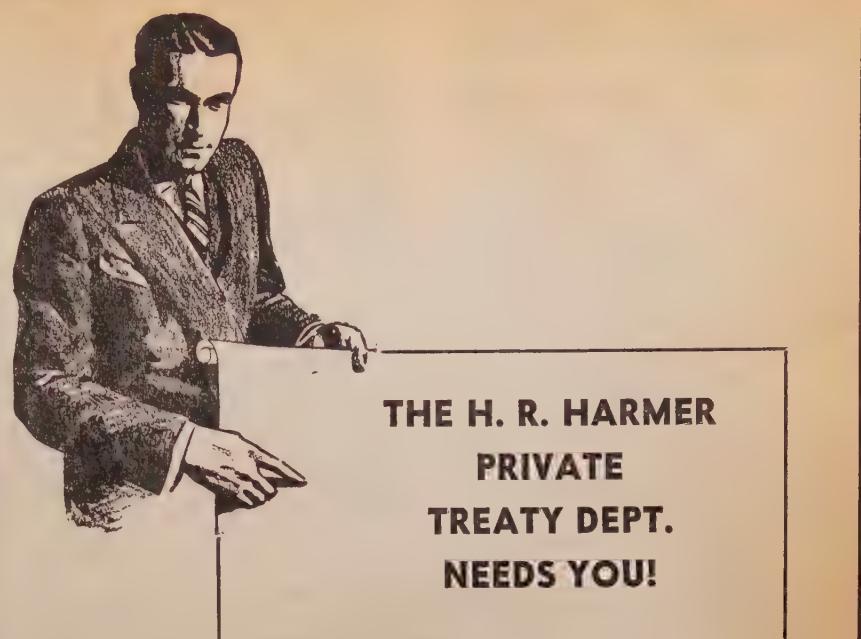
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By George van den Berg

THERE ARE in Tokyo three second-generation dealers, Mr. Wada of Kanda, Mr. Fukuo of Harajuku and Shibuya and Mr. Yoshida of Mejiro. All are highly respected and important members of the profession.

Mr. Wada is the son of the pioneer Japanese dealer who, in the 1890's and early twentieth century, produced the famed big souvenir sheets of stamps sold at the docks for the benefit of tourists, all of the earlies being skillful reproductions in true colors and all marked "facsimile" as required by law. Thousands of sets were sold for precisely what they were, without the slightest intent to deceive. There was one unexpected development—50,000 sheets were ordered and supplied for sale at the Paris Exhibition of 1900. Many of the items were, of course, removed from the sheets to which they were firmly stuck with rice paste and found their way into albums and have been cropping up ever since. However, they are all branded as required by law and most collectors have long since learned where to look for these marks. They are actually scarce in Japan itself and bring 75c to \$1.00 each when available. Mr. Wada, about 70, is President of the Tokyo Dealers' Association.

Mr. Fukuo owns two shops, one near Washington Heights and consequently well known to American military personnel, and one near a shrine in Shinjuku, largely patronized by Japanese. The Fukuo business was founded by his father, a venerable gentleman of 82 now living in retirement in the country. The Harajuku shop has been at its present location since the early 1930's. Mr. Fukuo, Junior, is a charming youngish gentleman with a pretty wife, a nice family, and a lovely home in Harajuku, where the famed Fukuo Club meets on the first Saturday of each month for its auction. Mr. Fukuo is known to just about all the collectors I have met, both Japanese and American, and is liked by all. He is, of course, a member of the dealer organization.

RIICHI Yoshida's father, who entered the trade about 1920, was, in his day, Japan's best known dealer. A student at heart, he became the world's great authority on Japanese Postmarks, and founded and long published *Kitte Bunka*, still the country's foremost stamp paper. Riichi Yoshida is a major dealer, with a superb stock of Japanese material, a widely recognized expert, and edits *Kitte Bunka*, the great specialized Japanese catalog and the dealers' annual catalog. He is doubtless the best known of the trio overseas, for he has many foreign connections. I have met all three on several occasions, and have much enjoyed knowing them. All are excellent business men but not one of them is grossly commercial and all are keenly interested in the welfare of their innumerable clients, many of whom are close personal friends.

BY NOW, many governments operate Philatelic Agencies or have contractual arrangements with agents who supply stamps to dealers or to collectors and dealers at face plus return postage. I myself have dealt with all I've ever heard of and find some service excellent, some not so good.

In my opinion, Japan operates the best in the world, admirably serving collectors and dealers alike with complete impartiality, be your order \$1.00 or \$1,000. Indeed, in my long experience, it leaves nothing to be desired.

As many of you will recall, it was originally located in the Azabu Postoffice across from the Soviet Embassy. For several years now, it has been located in the Tokyo Central Post Office, across from Tokyo Station, the heart of things in the capital, and but a short walk from the Imperial Hotel, the mecca of visiting Americans. I have been in innumerable times, especially as part of the first day issue crowd, when milling crowds throng the two windows with their order taker, filler, and order checker. Two big frames, under glass, display "specimen" copies of all stamps on sale, as well as samples of the commemorative government post cards on sale. A generous amount of obsolete material is carried, especially in airmails and commems, and, while several items were dropped during our stay

in Japan, curiously enough several of items were added, presumably as post office inspectors found odd lots scattered in small towns about the country. You certainly can keep your correspondents happy, franking their letters with such obsolete stamps and souvenir sheets.

But it's the Mail Order Department upstairs on the third floor and reached by an elevator at the side entrance, which will interest most of you. This occupies a very large room, with desks, at which many clerks, both men and women, are busily occupied processing the orders which pour in on them. Two very courteous English-speaking officials will be of particular interest to you—Mr. Shigeo Sato, Chief of the Philatelic Section, and Mr. T. Nagawa, heading the Overseas Sales section.

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Orders are accurately and rapidly filled and shipments are beautifully franked, sometimes even with old issues remaining on hand in too small quantities to list. Many Americans, I was told, participate in a deposit system whereby any amount may be sent to pay for new stamps as issued plus postage—the attractive price list explains it all in detail. I might add that, when requested, clients are put onto the mailing list to receive free of charge copies of post office department bulletins announcing new issues with full details, which, together with glossy prints, are airmailed to editors of stamp papers throughout the world. It's a very impressive set-up and, certain it is, service leaves nothing to be desired. Many an inept foreign agency would do well to study their efficient and advanced methods.

I've been interested to see the latest copy of *STAMPS* on Mr. Sato's desk whenever I've called. Both he and Mr. Nagawa are avid readers.

"I'VE OFTEN been in Kyoto but seldom for more than a couple of days. Finding myself there for a fortnight, and free after 4 P.M., I contacted fellow-A.P.S. (Continued on Page 466)

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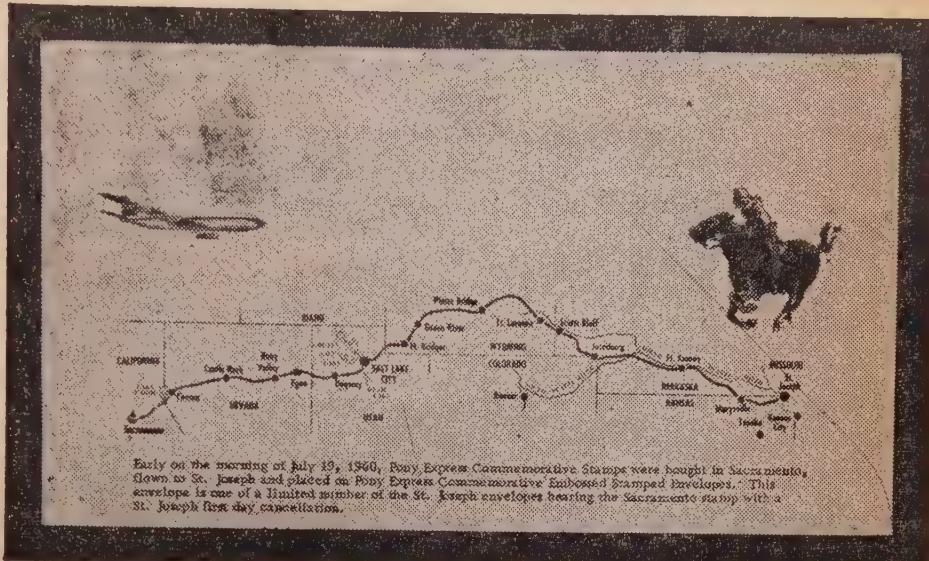


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member *Tatsunosuke Koizumi* of 120 Okazaki Hoshu, Ji-cho, Sakyō-ku, and was called for by car by him and his wife at the renowned *Sumiya Ryokan* (Japanese Inn), my headquarters whenever I'm in the city.

Kyoto is a major textile producing center, the seat of the great *Kanebo* works and many lesser ones, and the *Kama-Gawa River*, running through the heart of the city, is tinted with colors from the vast lengths of cloth washed in its waters—the latter contain chemicals in solution which fix the dyes. Mr. Koizumi is a leading textile wholesaler and a very busy man.

The Koizumi's home is a big semi-western one with a large formal garden up the mountainside near the *Silver Pavilion*. Both his pretty young wife and he speak English and we chatted gaily as we drove along, taking up the major local sights, the swarms of tourists flocking to the city the year around, and the Japanese classical drama and modern movies such as *Typhoon*, which our family had seen filmed some time before and which was then running in the city.

Arriving at their home, I met their charming daughter and very active son, both of whom were soon chasing butterflies in the garden while we, after tea and cake, were looking at the Koizumi collections.

Though a relative newcomer to the hobby, Mr. Koizumi has gotten together a wonderful lot of classical Japanese material with some superb covers and really choice cancellation items. He travels a good bit and never fails to visit the stamp shops. Then too, he buys at Japanese mail auctions and initiated me in them—they're much like ours and lots of fun though fine material is hotly contested and, properly enough, runs rather high.

And then, surprise of surprises, I saw

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Alas, night shades were rapidly falling and it was necessary to return to the city for an engagement at a theater, so I reluctantly parted company with my gracious host and hostess whose hospitality will long be remembered. Another golden experience resting upon stamp collecting, certainly the king of hobbies the world around.

THE Vice President of the Tokyo Stamp Dealers Association is Y. Kumazawa, of 16 Maruyama-cho, Bunkyo-Ku, Tokyo, a well known and much liked figure in the Japanese stamp world. Tall and handsome and the personification of graciousness, he is a graduate of the University of Tokyo and was long engaged in managing family properties before entering the trade a decade and a half ago following many years of collecting.

He has a large and varied stock. (I was particularly interested in his Japanese classics, early Canadians and a first issue overprinted Japanese Airmail Stamp cover which had once belonged to his father). Like so many other dealers here, he carries on from his home. A cultured, polished gentleman, he is much interested in history, in which he majored. He is well acquainted with many history professors in the country and is widely read in the subject. He speaks impeccable English and, because that language is today indispensable in business, has been teaching it to a young friend who has but recently entered the trade as a new issue, packet, and kilo exporter.

He is entirely uncommercial and takes genuine pleasure in helping puzzled foreigners he meets at the Tokyo Stamp Club sessions to get their cheap but elusive wartime and reconstruction era paper varieties straightened out. He is an authority on early issues and cancellations and his counsel and opinion are widely sought by dealers and collectors alike. All in all, one of the grandest stamp men I've met in half a century of stamping pretty much the world around.

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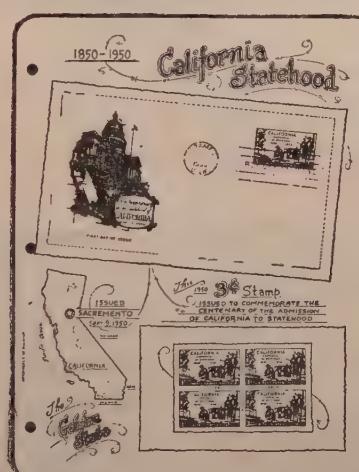
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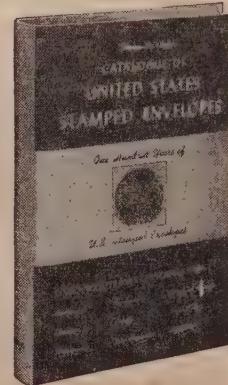
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Somalia's Olympic Games and Children Sets

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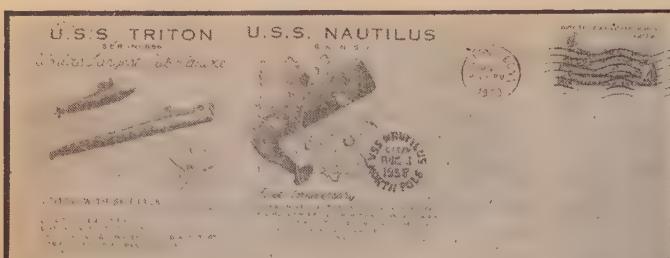
will withdraw from sale December 31, 1960 the current Definitive Queen Elizabeth stamps and the Independence Commemoratives (4 values) issued October 1. A new Definitive set of 13 values will be issued January 1, 1961.

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TIPOFF

MONACO—The 1960 Olympic Games issue was sold out very quickly which fact makes the valuation in the latest *Scott's Monthly Journal* obsolete. Because it is an attractive set, it was bought up quickly at the Monaco post office early last summer, and sales moved supplies faster than anticipated. Only a few weeks after issue the set was sold out at the post office, and soon after this had already reached double face value among French dealers. The few stocks available are changing hands continuously, and today the retail price of this set is already slightly over \$1.00.

Sports sets and Olympics are of course popular issues, and again I would like to call your attention to Scott #176, which went up this year from \$8.00 to \$10.00, and will surely rise further; dealers in France are paying close to this figure now for this stamp. If the price is right for your pocketbook, get your copy soon.

Another still low-priced issue is Scott's #177-181 to commemorate the Eighth International University Championships. The catalog value is \$2.15 but up to the present you should still be able to get it for half-catalog. I am sure this low-priced pictorial set will prove good property. Another TIPOFF which will pay off, if bought in time.

GERMANY—BERLIN — The market in the early issues of Berlin can be considered as extremely strong. Supplies must be almost zero, at least in West Germany. From month to month dealers are raising their offers for issues which seem to be so much in demand, but no supplies are available. For the past two years the U.S.A. dealers have been supplying their overflow to their German colleagues, but the supply of early issues is now drying up here too.

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Scott's #9N68 ERP catalogs \$5.00, but dealers are already offering \$4.00 for this Europa forerunner. Should you be missing this little stamp, get it now at best; there is still time to save yourself a few dollars; it will cost more later for sure. No. 9NB4-5, the 1950 philharmonica, catalogs \$7.00; almost \$5.00 is offered for this one.

No. 9NB6-7, the 1951 Stamp Day issue, is also becoming very elusive. It catalogs only \$2.50 in the 1961 Scott, but dealers in Germany are offering almost \$2.00. Still low in price, it is recommended now; it will cost much more very soon. Scott 9N81-83, the pre-Olympic issue of 1952, was tipped many times in this column. It is listed now at \$2.60 in Scott, but which price dealers themselves are now paying. No. 9N84-98, the famous Berliners, is also now being advertised to BUY by dealers, and no time should be wasted completing this set, mint or used. No. 9N156, the 50pf. C.D. Rauch stamp, is one many dealers are looking for to complete their stocks on the 1957-59 portraits set. Buy at best, and disregard the present Scott valuation, which should have been changed long ago. If the present market trend continues in No. 9N136, the 3 Mk. Congress Hall, you must certainly expect the valuation in the next monthly journal of Scott to show an increase; in used condition it is being sought by dealers for 40c, while it catalogs in Scott for 30c.

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An important and well-illustrated article by *R. H. Shrady, M.D.*, occupies sixteen pages, the subject being Germany's Semi-Official Air Mail Stamps.

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WHEELING

W. VA

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This about finishes West Virginia, as the rest of the stamps can be had at reasonable figures.

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(Editor's Note: In my precancel column for November 19, 1960, discussing the Plainview, Texas stamp, I said that Homer E. Minor of the Minor Magazine Agency, had died in the 1930's. Mr. Minor informs me that he is still very much alive and is still conducting his magazine subscription business, although bedridden. His former partner, W. Lacey Dixon, died and possibly this is how the confusion occurred, as our misinformation was taken from a publication which years ago stated that Mr. Minor had died. We are happy to know that Mr. Minor is still with us, and perhaps some of our readers would like to order their subscriptions to various magazines from him. As a means of aiding his health he moved to 1208 Carlisle Blvd. S.E., Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he now lives. Your business will give not only help but a touch of friendship to a man who has not let adversity conquer him.

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AFGHANISTAN—Two semi-postals in the values of 50 + 50P and 175 + 50P have been issued, perf. and imperf. for the Red Cross. Design shows an ambulance.

Also, two values of 50P and 175P have been released, perf. and imperf., for the fifteenth anniversary of the United Nations. The design shows the world globe, topped by the initials "UN" and the flags of the United Nations and Afghanistan.

—P. T. S. Newsreel, London

ARGENTINA—Our thanks to Mauricio Yastremiz, Buenos Aires, for a maximum card dated Nov. 12, 1960, with the Marian Inter-American Congress 1 peso stamp reported here November 26th, and illustrated on first day cover in our issue of December 3, 1960.

AUSTRIA—For the 1960 Day of the Postage Stamp a 3+0.70 semi-postal stamp was issued on November 28th, to become valid for postage December 2,

1960. The stamp, which is brown-red, shows a progressive die-proof of the 3.50 Sch. stamp of the Wildlife Series 1959, seen through a magnifying glass. This attractive design is the work of Adalbert Pilch, and the engraving is by Rudolf Toth. The stamp was recess-printed by the Austrian State Printing Works, in sheets of 50, in an edition of 1,200,000 copies. Our thanks for information to Joachim Dill, Bad Neustadt, Germany; and Edwin Mueller, New York. Mr. Mueller comments that this is probably the first time that a stamp proof has been shown on a stamp.

CEYLON—On January 8, 1961, birth-day of the late Prime Minister, the Hon. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike, a 10c stamp will be issued in his memory. The design shows his portrait. It will be printed by photogravure in sheets of 100 by the Courvoisier, S.A., Switzerland. Color will be blue.

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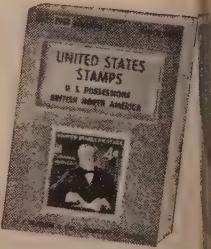
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—Diego Silva Parra

CUBA—The Ministry of Communications advises that Scott's Type AP4 in the 20c rose-pink and 50c blue values were overprinted and issued Nov. 18, 1960, as follows: "HABILITADO/ENTREGA ESPECIAL/10c", in three lines, as indicated; in black on the 20c, and red on the 50c. Our thanks to *J. M. Sbrino*, Havana, for a first day cover.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—Our thanks to *Jindrich Novacek* for first day covers with the six-value flower set issued on November 21, 1960. From London's Philatelic Traders Society Stamp Newsreel we have the names of the flowers as follows: 20h *Doronicum Clusii*; 30h *Cyclamen Europeum*; 40h *Primula Auricula*; 60h *Sempervivum mont*; 1 Kcs. *Gentiana Clusii*; 2Kcs *Pulsatilla slavica*. Designs are by Prof. Karel Svolinsky and engraving by L. Jirka. The stamps were recess-printed in Prague and are multicolored.

FINLAND—Our thanks to *Martin Bostrom*, Orebro, Sweden, and *S. Antila*, Tampere, Finland, for first day covers dated November 24, 1960, with the three-value set of Finnish Red Cross stamps which were reported here November 5, 1960, at which time we showed the 10+2 and 20+3 values, the reindeer and the Laplander, respectively. The third stamp shows the Finnish-Lapland coast.

FRANCE—A set of two Red Cross stamps, honoring St. Martin, will be issued on December 5, 1960. The 0.20 + 0.10c depicts the mace of the brotherhood of St. Martin; the 0.25 + 0.10c shows a wooden statue of St. Martin.

Also, on December 5, 1960, a 0.30c stamp will be issued commemorating the 500th anniversary of the College of St. Barbara. And on December 19, two additional stamps in the wildlife preservation series will be released: a 0.20c, featuring lapwings, and an 0.45c showing wild ducks. These are issued with the view to publicizing the study of bird migration. Designs are by Gandon, and engraving by Mazelin (20c) and Gandon (45c).

—Minkus Publications, Inc.

FRENCH COLONIES—SENEGAL—A set of six animal stamps on first day cover dated November 19, 1960, has been submitted by Edmond Queyroy, New York. The values are 5 fr. Hippotrague engraved by J. Pheulpin, green, mauve and black; 10 fr. Buffle de Savane engraved by J. Pheulpin, mauve and

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First day cover from Romeo J. Routhier, of Guatemala, with that country's four-value set honoring Unesco, issued November 4, 1960.

green; 15 fr. Phacochere engraved by J. Combet, mauve and gray-green; 20 fr. Eland de Derby engraved by Rene Cottet, tan, blue-green and light orange; 25 fr. Guib engraved by Rene Cottet, orange green and brown; 85 fr. Cobe Oncteus engraved by J. Combet, green, yellow and reddish-brown.

GERMANY—EAST—On December 5, 1960, a three-value perforated set of stamps will be issued to honor the 125th anniversary of the German railways. The 10pf. depicts a modern train, green and gray; 20pf., Sassen-Hafen Station and train-ferry "Sassnik", red and gray; and 25 pf., the first German locomotive, "Adler", and modern diesel engine "V 180". The 20pf. will also be issued imperf. The stamps have been printed by the offset process by VEB Deutsche Wertpapierdruckerei, Leipzig, on cross-flowers watermarked paper.

—Fritz Barz

GUATEMALA—From Romeo J. Routhier, of Guatemala City, we have a first day cover with four values issued November 4, 1960, honoring Unesco. The values and colors are 5c red and blue, 6c blue and brown, 8c green and red, 20c brown and blue.

INDONESIA—Our thanks to the following for first day covers of the World Health Day stamps, reported with full details in our issue of December 3, 1960. T. G. Lauw, Henry Kho Tek Boen, and Tjin Pek Kioe. Date of issue was November 12, 1960.

IRAQ—J. Hannaney, Baghdad, informs us that a committee has been given authority to negotiate with continental firms, obtain appropriate designs and execute the printing of a special set of stamps to commemorate the third anniversary of the Iraqi Republic Army. It is hoped that the stamp will be ready for issuance on the official day of celebration, January 6, 1961.

JAPAN—Our thanks to S. Miyake, Tokyo, for a first day cover dated November 15, 1960, with the Shrine Island

stamp which was reported in detail in our issue of December 3, 1960.

JUGOSLAVIA—On December 24, 1960, a six-value set of stamps will be issued to honor famous men of culture of Jugoslavian history: 15 din. (2,000,000 edition) writer Ivan Cankar, dark green; 20 din. (2,000,000) poet Silvije Strahimir Kranjcevic, reddish brown; 40 din. (1,000,000) painter Paja Jovanovic, gray and brown; 55 din. (1,000,000) writer and painter Dura Jaksic, red and brownish blue; 80 din. (750,000) physician and electrician Mihailo Pupin, sea-blue and black; 100 din. (500,000) scientist, philosopher and poet Duder Boskovic, dark blue. The stamps were designed by Matija Zlamalik, Belgrade and engraved as follows: Tanasije Krnjajic (15, 20 and 100 din.), Stanimir Babic (55 din.) and Velibor Cvetkovic (40 and 80 din.). The printing was done at the Institute of Printing of Bank Notes, Belgrade.

—Direction Generale des PTT

KOREA (NORTH)—Recent issues are: Fifteenth Liberation Anniversary and completion of Maranben Stadium, Pyongyang: 5 j., yellow, orange green, black, woman runner; 5 j., green, blue, orange, black, weight lifter; 5 j., green, blue, orange, black, cyclist; 5 j., orange, black and green, football; 5 j., blue, black and gray, gymnastics; 10 j., gray-green, black and orange, swimming; 10 j., green, blue and red, stadium and national flag. Printed by offset, issued on October 5. September 16 saw the issue of a 10 j. dark and light blue for the 15th anniversary of the World Federation of Trade Unions, showing the WFTU badge and dove. On September 26, a 10 j. violet marked the repatriation of Koreans from Japan, showing a Korean welcoming a returnee. Both the foregoing are lithographed. Also issued were two values for Soviet-Korean friendship: 10 j. maroon on buff: Russian and Korean shaking hands in front of flaming torch; 10 j. brown, red, blue: beacon of light, Soviet soldier, flags of Russia and Korea.

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KOREA—SOUTH—Our thanks to Sowoo Shin, Chief of Philatelic Service of the Postal Bureau, for a first day cover, stamps, and the souvenir sheet of the Census stamp issued November 15, 1960, as reported here December 3, 1960.

POLAND—Our thanks to Dr. M. A. Rayall de Ragan for information on the three stamps to be issued on January 3, 1961 honoring the 300th anniversary of the Polish Press. The values are 40gr. (1,000,000), 60gr. (1,000,000), and 2.50 Zl. (300,000). They were designed by Chester Kaczmarczyk, and printed by offset.

POLAND—A set of twelve stamps, perforated, multicolored, and depicting birds under preservation in Poland were scheduled for release November 24, 1960. The details were given in our issue of October 15, 1960.

Ars Polona, the Polish philatelic agency also sends information on a new set of eighteen stamps, showing old historical towns of Poland, which are being released in two sections, some in November, some in December 1960. Details are as follows: The stamps were designed by Witold Chomicz and printed by Państwowa Wytwórnia Papierów Wartościowych. Part I (about November 15): 5 gr., Gniezno, brown; 10 gr., Krakow, green; 20 gr. Warszawa, dark brown; 40 gr. Poznan, red; 50 gr., Plock, violet; 60 gr. Kalisz, cherry red; 80 gr., Frombork, blue; 95 gr., Puck, olive; 1.—zl., Slupsk, orange on light violet. Part II (about December 15): 1.15 zl., Gdansk, green on light-orange; 1.35 zl., Wroclaw, amaranth on light green; 1.50 zl., Szczecin, brown on green-blue; 1.55 zl., Opole, cherry red on chamoix, 2.—zl., Kolobrzeg, deep blue on violet-red; 2.10 zl., Legnica, dark brown on yellow; 2.50 zl., Katowice, violet on light green; 3.10 zl., Lodz, red on light blue; 5.60 zl., Walbrzych, dark green on light green.

SPAIN—Our thanks to the firm of *M. Galvez* for a first day cover of the Samos Monastery set reported here November 12, 1960.

SPANISH COLONIES—IFNI—*Carlos Lenze* has sent the additional information concerning the Stamp Day set reported here December 3, 1960, that the bishop represented on the stamp is Saint Juan de Ribera; and the Velazquez painting is the famous "Bufon Pablo de Valladolid," which hangs in the Prado Museum. Date when it was painted is unknown.

SWEDEN—Our thanks to *Edward Lindstrom*, Jonkoping, for a first day cover of the two-value Hjalmar Branting commemorative stamp issued November 23, 1960, and forecast here on October 29, 1960.

UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC—On November 29, 1960, a two-value World

Refugee Year set in the "Palestine Refugee" design, already released by both U.A.R. regions and the federated State of Yemen, was issued for Palestine and will appear in Gaza's post offices. The 10 mill value will be brown and the 35 mill, gray. Printing is by the Survey of European watermarked paper.

—*Saad El Chichini*
Chief of Philatelic Services

UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC—Our thanks to the *Saad El Chichini* for copies of the 4 mills brown and 5 mills purple definitive stamps for Palestine which were put on sale November 21; also the 10 mills "Save the Monuments of Nubia" stamp which was reported in our issue of November 26, 1960.

VATICAN CITY—The 10, 15, and 70 lire Christmas stamps which are to be issued December 6, 1960, as forecast in our issue of Dec. 3, 1960, will depict "The Nativity of Our Lord."

—*Augustino Villecco*

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The Rubber City Stamp Club held its 41st Anniversary Exhibition on November 19, 1960 in Akron, Ohio. The grand award and the Carl Pockrandt Trophy went to Gardner L. Brown for his exhibit featuring the Bordeaux issue of France from the middle of the 19th Century. E. A. Brittenham won first award for an exhibit of stamps of South Australia; second to R. Ralph Felver, U.N. sponsored events on stamps; George C. Mayer, third, Lubeck covers of the first half of the 19th Century. Junior prizes were awarded as follows: Marty Rosenthal, first, the coronation of King George; Helen Longstreth, second, English scenes on stamps; Ricky Warner, third, metered covers.

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The Webster Groves Stamp Club has resumed meetings at the Reliable Life Insurance Building, 231 West Lockwood, Webster Groves, Mo. Visitors invited to attend the Friday night meetings.

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The Saginaw Valley Stamp Fair was held Nov. 19-20 in Saginaw, Michigan. Albert Schwarz won the grand award trophy for his exhibit of stamps from the Orange Free State. Richard G. Ebach won three American Philatelic Society gold exhibition medals, as well as the American Topical Association certificate, for displays of Michigan Postal History, U.S. 1847's and his 1960 Olympic Stamps and Covers. Other medals went to Russell Christensen for Swedish local stamps, and to John Hebert for Scouts on Stamps.

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The Tucson Stamp Club meets the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M. in Room 8 of the Geology Building, University of Arizona. Visitors are always welcome and all meetings are trading sessions. The meeting of December 20, 1960, will be a Christmas party. The members recently voted to forego the regular annual exhibition for this season to support the A.P.S. convention and exhibition, AIRPEX, to be held during the spring meeting of the A.P.S. in Phoenix, March 17-19, 1961.

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The Columbus Philatelic Club meets every Friday at 8:30 P.M. in the Terrace Room of the Southern Hotel, Columbus, Ohio. The annual Exhibit and Show is planned for February 25-26, 1961, to be held at the Southern Hotel.

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The Collectors Club of Washington heard P. J. Plant talk on the triangular stamps of the Cape of Good Hope at a recent meeting. The lecture was illustrated with his remarkable collection of these stamps. The December 4th meeting of the A.S.C.C.A. was held at Annapolis, Md., with luncheon served at Alumni House.

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The 1962 Seminar will be held in conjunction with SEPAD at Philadelphia. Specialist groups seeking data on the Seminar should write to the Congress' president, David Lidman, 390 West End Avenue, New York 24. For collectors seeking data on the Congress, inquiries should be addressed to the Secretary-Treasurer, Robert B. Brandedberry, 58 W. Salisbury Drive, Wilmington 3, Del.

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Dr. Wm. Reiner-Deutsch was recently elected president of the Nassau-Suffolk Philatelic Alliance. Further information on this group may be obtained from the corresponding secretary, John T. Conquest, P.O. Box 192, Hempstead, N. Y.

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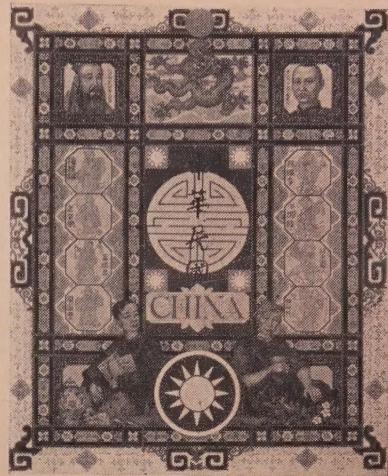
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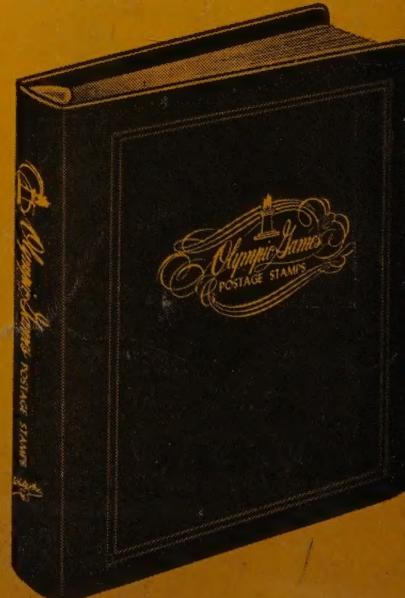
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